MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): May I know from the member whether the Government are aware that there are more Government institutions in Chengannur than in Tiruvalla?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I have not made a calculation as to how many institutions there are in Tiruvalla and how many there are in Chengannur. There are a number of important institutions in those places.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): May I know from the member whether Government have ascertained that the total amount of money that Chengannur has to remit is in excess of the money to be remitted by Tiruvalla taluk?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): No.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): May I know from the member whether there will be any reformation of the taluks as a result of the next revenue settlement?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): No.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): Then is there any special reason for answering that it is not yet time to reconsider the question of the reformation of the Chengannur taluk and that it cannot at any rate be reopened before the time of the next settlement?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): The answer does not say that before re-settlement nothing will be done.

Supply of Civil List to members of the Legislature.

24 *MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they are aware of the necessity to supply the Civil List to the members of the Legislature;

(*b*) whether they will issue necessary orders for the supply of the Civil List to the members of the Legislature; and

(*c*) if the answer to part (*b*) is in the negative, the reasons for the same?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) and (*b*) Necessary orders have been issued for the supply of copies of the Civil List to members of the Legislature.

(*c*) This does not arise in view of the answer to parts (*a*) and (*b*).

Removal of Royalties from registered holdings.

25 *MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

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(*a*) whether there is, in addition to the general rules of the Forest Regulation, any definite scheme governing the collection and removal of royalties from the registered holdings within the prescribed period;

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, whether the Government will be pleased to place on the table a copy of such scheme; and

(*c*) whether any census has already been taken of the royalties standing on private holdings which are to be collected within the prescribed period?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) No regular working plan or scheme has been prepared; but since the issue of G. O. R. Dis. No. 858/32/Devpt., dated 27-5-1932, exploitation of royalties from registered holdings included in the three tracts mentioned therein has been so arranged that all exploitable royal trees on such lands may be felled according to demand and all marketable timber removed therefrom within the period fixed by Government for each tract.

(*b*) This question does not arise in view of the answer to part (*a*) above.

(*c*) No actual enumeration of royal trees in the three tracts referred to has been conducted since the labour and cost involved will be very prohibitive. But for the removal of royal trees in these areas each year, the standing tree-growth is enumerated and the approximate yield determined for the purpose of inviting tenders for the works, and when the offers are accepted and agreements taken for the work, the trees are marked and handed over to the contractors for felling. The Department has been able to close its work in Tract No. 1 by the end of 1108 in this way and the removal is now confined to Tract No. II.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): May I know from the member the date of the Government proceedings which authorise the exploitation of royalties by private holders within a prescribed period?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): 27-5-1932.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): May I know from the member why no record has been hitherto prepared?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): It is considered to be very costly.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): May I know the approximate cost?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): I am not able to say.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): May I know from the member the quantity of marketable timber for which there was demand in 1107 or 1108?

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MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): The information is not available.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Thiruvalla III*): May I know from the member the quantity of timber from royal trees that were cut and removed from the first tract?

MR. T. C THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): I have no information.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): May I know from the member the approximate cost for the enumeration of the royal trees in the tracts referred to in the answer to part (*c*)?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): I claim notice.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): May I know from the member how the teak-growth is enumerated and by whom?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): The Forest subordinates.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): Who is responsible for such enumeration?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): The Forest Department.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): Which officer?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): I claim notice. Apparently the Range Officer.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): May I know whether several suits have been filed for recovery of damages caused by indiscriminate felling of royal trees?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): There is no information.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): May I know whether instructions have been issued to the agents for repeated cutting of trees from private holdings at a particular time?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): I claim notice.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): Are the Government aware that repeated cutting of trees from one registered holding will cause unnecessary damages?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): That is a matter of opinion.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): The question is whether the Government are aware.

PRESIDENT: He wants to reserve his opinion to himself.

Public Markets.

26. *MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether scavenging, sweeping and water-giving are conducted in all public markets in the State;

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, under whose directions the above works are conducted;

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